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- 1. Response to Office Action mailed April 21, 2003 (6 pgs.); and
- 2. Return Postcard.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-585A. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at 617/542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

TECHCEMEN BONDONS This is in response to the Office Action mailed April 21, 2003. With no extension of time, this Response is due on or before July 21, 2003. No fees are believed due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-585A (Cura-85A).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.